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Attachment 6

Inspector General's Recommendation, Page 46

Recommended DCI Action:

- a. Approve in principle
- b. Approve
- c. Approve
- d. Approve
- e. Approve

Inspector General's Statement

a. The DD/P direct that the Plans and Operations Group, recommended in the preceding section of this report, develop a simplified DD/P planning system based upon a considered correlation of programs developed by individual area divisions and senior staffs, and synchronized with the Comptroller's budgetary requirements as clarified by implementation of recommendation c below.

b. The DD/P direct that the senior staffs minimize individual project review and develop instead broad programs for the guidance and support of the area divisions.

c. The DD/P meet with the General Counsel and the Comptroller, and clarify the fact that the

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clandestine operations of the Agency are not subject to all of the reviews and related controls imposed on ordinary Government agencies and departments.

d. The Comptroller limit his requests and accumulations of operational data to the minimum consistent with the clarification set forth in the preceding recommendation.

e. The DD/P establish a rapid and simplified approval system for all categories of activities, and that this system be administered by a small unit under the Plans and Operations Group. In this connection, consideration should be given to moving the Secretary of the PRC to the immediate office of the DCI.

DD/P Comment

a. Concur in principle: The newly created Central Staff corresponds in principle to the Plans and Operations Group recommended by the Inspector General. The development of a simplified planning system is already in progress. The planning cycle has been shortened from 36 to approximately 18 months. The old

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General Plan has given way to a much shorter and more specific Operational Plan. The detailed Preliminary Estimates have been eliminated. Operational Programs are being prepared on a more meaningful categorical basis in lieu of projects. Related Mission Directives are being made more specific and realistic with respect to the stations' existing capabilities and any directed expansion. In the past Operational Programs as well as Preliminary Estimates have been prepared to include all the budgetary detail required by the Comptroller. This principle will not be adhered to in the revised programs, but statistical data will be furnished to the Comptroller separately as needed. However, the Operational Program will afford certain narrative and statistical data which can be sterilized and used in providing

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information for the Comptroller. Thus the Programs will be synchronized but no longer integrated with the Comptroller's budgetary requirements.

b. Concur: This has been done.

c. Concur: I have taken every opportunity to stress this point in my relations with the General Counsel and the Comptroller. The recommendation of the Inspector General has been discussed with the Comptroller and the General Counsel. We are in agreement that the clandestine operations of the Agency are not subject to all of the reviews and related controls imposed on ordinary Government agencies and departments.

d. Concur: The recommendation of the Inspector General has been discussed with the Comptroller. I understand that requests for operational data will be held to the minimum.

e. Concur: A rapid simplified approval system is in process of establishment and is being administered by the Projects and Programs Group of the Central Staff. Although action on the recommendation that the

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function of the Secretary of the PRC be moved  
to the immediate office of the DCI does not fall  
within the jurisdiction of the DD/P, I would concur  
in such a move.

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